

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
STATE INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING
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BE IT REMEMBERED, That the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning of the State of Mississippi met in a regular session in the Norman C. Nelson Student Union at The University of Mississippi Medical Center in Jackson, Mississippi, on November 18, 1999, at 8:30 a.m., and pursuant to notice in writing mailed by certified letter with return receipt requested on November 8, 1999, to each and every member of said Board, said date being at least five days prior to this November 18, 1999 meeting. At the above-named place there were present the following members to wit: Ms. Nan McGahey Baker, Mr. Thomas W. Colbert, Mr. William Sterling Crawford, Ms. Ricki R. Garrett, Mr. Larry E. Homan, Mr. J. Marlin Ivey, Mr. J. Roy Klumb, Mr. James Luvane, Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr., Ms. Virginia Shanteau Newton, Mr. Carl Nicholson, Jr., and Dr. Cassie Pennington. The meeting was called to order by Ms. Ricki R. Garrett, President, and opened with prayer by Dr. D. E. Magee, Jr..

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

On motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Ms. Newton, and unanimously passed by those present, it was

RESOLVED, That the Minutes of the meetings held on October 21, 1999, and November 1, 2, 3, and 4, 1999, stand approved.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT (UC)

On motion by Mr. Ivey, seconded by Mr. Luvane, and unanimously passed by those present, it was

RESOLVED, That consent to be considered is granted to all items not previously placed on the agenda and hereinafter reported.

ADMINISTRATION/POLICY

Presented by Dr. Thomas Layzell
Commissioner of Higher Education

On motion by Mr. Luvane, seconded by Mr. Klumb, and unanimously passed by those present, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves Agenda Item #2 as submitted in the following report on Administration/Policy. Agenda Item #3 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Ivey, seconded by Mr. Klumb, and unanimously passed. **UNANIMOUS CONSENT** item #5 was approved on a separate motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Dr. Magee, and unanimously passed. **UNANIMOUS CONSENT** item #6 was approved on a separate motion by Mr. Luvane, seconded by Ms. Baker, and unanimously passed.

Delta State University

1. **(UC Information Item)** The inauguration of Dr. David L. Potter as president of Delta State University will be held on Friday, March 31, 2000.

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2. Approved 1999 Fall commencement schedule as follows:

Mississippi State University

10:00 a.m., Friday, December 17, 1999

Location: Humphrey Coliseum

Speaker: Dr. John Marszalek

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The University of Southern Mississippi

2:30 p.m., Friday December 17, 1999

College of Business Administration, College of Education and Psychology, College of Health and Human Sciences, College of Nursing, and University Libraries.

Location: Reed Green Coliseum

Speaker: Reverend Will Campbell

6:30 p.m., Friday, December 18, 1999

Colleges of The Arts, College of International and Continuing Education, College of Science and Technology, and Institute of Marine Sciences.

Location: Reed Green Coliseum

Speaker: Senator Thad Cochran

3. Approved the Quarterly Employment Report for the quarter ending September 30, 1999. The report is included in the *November 18, 1999 Board Working File*.
4. **(UC Information Item)** Emergency approval of foreign travel was granted by Commissioner Thomas D. Layzell per *Board Policy 705.0103* for the following:

Mississippi State University

Cleveland, O. A.

Smith, Garry D.

Wu, Shu-hui

Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands

Tashkent, Uzbekistan

San Jose, Costa Rica

University of Southern Mississippi

Asper, Vernon China

Hawkins, William

Lotz, Jeffrey

Miller, Mark

Phillips, Dennis

Wales, Robert

Hawaii

Hawaii

Hong Kong & Singapore

Hong Kong & Singapore

Puerto Rico

5. **(UC)** Approved consulting contract for Dr. Ronald Mason, Jr., to be employed as an academic consultant at Jackson State University for the period of November 8, 1999, until such time as he assumes the position of president. The contract includes a pay rate of \$1,000 per day plus such expenses as are reasonable and necessary to the performance of such consulting.
6. **(UC)** Approved the JSU/UM Interinstitutional Pharmacy Initiative (MIPI). A copy of the initiative is included in the bound *November 18, 1999 Board Working File*.

INSTRUCTION/STUDENTS

Presented by Dr. William McHenry

Assistant Commissioner of Academic Affairs

On motion by Mr. Homan, seconded by Mr. Ivey, and unanimously passed by those present, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves Agenda Items #1, #3, #5, and #7 as submitted in the following report on Instruction/Students. Agenda Item #6 was approved on a separate motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Mr. Nicholson, and unanimously passed.

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Mississippi State University

7. Approved degrees to be conferred December 17, 1999, as follows:

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences:	
Bachelor of Science	88
Bachelor of Landscape Architecture	1
College of Arts and Sciences:	
Bachelor of Arts	102
Bachelor of Fine Arts	19
Bachelor of Science in Arts and Sciences	86
Bachelor of Social Work	11
College of Business and Industry:	
Bachelor of Business Administration	157
Bachelor of Science in Business and Industry	16
College of Education:	
Bachelor of Music Education	6
Bachelor of Science in Education	163
College of Engineering:	
Bachelor of Science in Engineering	137
College of Forest Resources:	
Bachelor of Science	12
School of Accountancy:	
Bachelor of Accountancy	18
Bachelor of Professional Accountancy	3
Graduate School:	
Doctor of Business Administration	5
Doctor of Education	2
Doctor of Philosophy	78
Educational Specialist	8
Master of Agribusiness Management	4
Master of Arts	10
Master of Business Administration	15
Master of Fine Arts	2
Master of Professional Accountancy	2
Master of Public Policy and Administration	2
Master of Science in Instructional Technology	5
Master of Science	225
Master of Science in Business Administration	9
College of Veterinary Medicine:	
Doctor of Veterinary Medicine	<u>1</u>
Total Undergraduate Degrees	819
Total Graduate Degrees	<u>368</u>
Total Degrees	<u>1187</u>

Mississippi University for Women

8. **Information item.** A new core curriculum will be implemented in the Fall 2000. A copy of the curriculum is included in the bound *November 18, 1999 Board Working File*.

9. Approved degrees to be conferred December 1999, as follows:

Bachelor of Arts	16
Bachelor of Fine Arts	7
Bachelor of Science	79
Master of Science	2
Master of Science in Nursing	<u>1</u>
Total Undergraduate Degrees	102
Total Graduate Degrees	<u>3</u>
Total Degrees	<u>105</u>

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10. **Information item.** Received notice of intent to request a new academic program, Master of Arts in Teaching.

University of Mississippi

11. Approved degrees to be conferred December 1999, as follows:

College of Liberal Arts	
Bachelor of Arts	83
Bachelor of Science	5
Bachelor of Fine Arts	3
Bachelor of Music	4
Bachelor of Public Administration	1
Bachelor of Social Work	4
School of Engineering	
Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering	1
Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering	1
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science	7
Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering	2
Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering	3
Bachelor of Science in Geological Engineering	2
Bachelor of Engineering	3
School of Education	
Bachelor of Arts in Education	4
Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science	9
Bachelor of Arts in Leisure Management	4
Bachelor of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences	24
School of Business	
Bachelor of Business Administration	67
Bachelor of Science in Journalism	3
School of Accountancy	
Bachelor of Accountancy	23
Graduate School	
Master of Arts	18
Master of Science	38
Master of Fine Arts	1
Master of Accountancy	8
Master of Taxation	2
Master of Business Administration	11
Master of Education	34
Master of Music	1
Specialist in Education	3
Doctor of Education	1
Doctor of Philosophy	14
Law School	
Juris Doctor	<u>16</u>
Total Undergraduate Degrees	253
Total Graduate Degrees	<u>147</u>
Total Degrees	<u>400</u>

University of Southern Mississippi

12. Approved request to rename the departments within the College of Business Administration, as follows:

<u>Current Department Names</u>	<u>Requested Name Changes</u>
Accounting	Accounting and Information Systems
Economics and International Business	Economics, Finance, and International Business
Management and Management Information Systems	Management and Marketing

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Marketing and Finance

There will be no impact on programs, degrees, majors, or courses.

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13. Approved degrees to be conferred on December 17, 1999, as follows:

College of Liberal Arts	
Bachelor of Science	12
Bachelor of Science (Gulf Coast)	1
Bachelor of Arts	144
Bachelor of Arts (Gulf Coast)	13
Master of Science	29
Master of Science (Gulf Coast)	8
Master of Arts	27
Master of Arts (Gulf Coast)	1
Master of Arts in the Teaching of Languages	24
Master of Library and Information Science	24
Specialist of Library and Information Science	1
Doctor of Philosophy	13
College of Business Administration	
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration	146
Bachelor of Science in Business Administration (Gulf Coast)	31
Master of Professional Accountancy	1
Master of Professional Accountancy (Gulf Coast)	1
Master of Business Administration	5
Master of Business Administration (Gulf Coast)	1
College of Education and Psychology	
Bachelor of Science	139
Bachelor of Science (Gulf Coast)	67
Bachelor of Arts	7
Bachelor of Arts (Gulf Coast)	1
Master of Science	8
Master of Science (Gulf Coast)	3
Master of Arts	9
Master of Education	34
Master of Education (Gulf Coast)	17
Specialist in Education	5
Doctor of Education	1
Doctor of Philosophy	24
Institute of Marine Science	
Master of Science	6
Doctor of Philosophy	4
College of International and Continuing Education	
Bachelor of Arts	6
Bachelor of Science	4
Master of Science	11
College of the Arts	
Bachelor of Arts	1
Bachelor of Fine Arts	16
Bachelor of Music	7
Bachelor of Music Education	10
Master of Fine Arts	2
Master of Art Education	5
Master of Music	8
Master of Music Education	3
Doctor of Music Education	2
Doctor of Musical Arts	4
Doctor of Philosophy	1
College of Science and Technology	
Bachelor of Science	92
Bachelor of Science (Gulf Coast)	10
Master of Science	44
master of Science (Gulf Coast)	2
Doctor of Philosophy	17
College of Health and Human Sciences	
Bachelor of Science	144
Bachelor of Science (Gulf Coast)	2
Bachelor of Social Work	7
Master of Science	33

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Master of Public Health	8
Doctor of Education	2
Doctor of Philosophy	7
College of Nursing	
Bachelor of Science in Nursing	79
Master of Science in Nursing	<u>17</u>
Total Undergraduate Degrees	939
Total Graduate Degrees	<u>412</u>
Total Degrees	<u><u>1,351</u></u>

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14. **Information Item.** Announced the winners of the Halbrook Awards for Academic Achievement Among Athletes for 1998-99. A list of the winners is included in the bound *November 18, 1999 Board Working File*.

PERSONNEL

Presented by Dr. Thomas Layzell
Commissioner of Higher Education

On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Ms. Baker, and unanimously passed by those present, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves the report on Personnel, as follows:

The Personnel Report for November 1, 1999, is composed of **29 regular personnel actions** in the following categories:

EMPLOYMENT

Mississippi State University

Arvik, Jon H.
Olinzock, Anthony A.

University of Mississippi

Ammeter, Anthony P.
Chambliss, Walter G.
Gordon, Michael D.
Langendoen, Eddy J.
Opalko, Robert M.

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Bhatt, Abhay
Dagogo-Jack, Samuel E.
Langford, Leigh R.
Lawhon, Nancy Carolyn

University of Southern Mississippi

McDonald, Patrick
Whittaker, Nancy

CHANGE OF STATUS

Mississippi Valley State University

Ansah, S. L.

TERMINATION

Jackson State University

Carson, James A.
King, Sidney

Mississippi State University

Campbell, Julian V.
Gaydon, Douglas M.
Killebrew, Frank J.

University of Mississippi

Hikal, Ahmed H.

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Gordon, David Lee
Pitcock, Robert V.
Grenfell, Raymond F.
Smith, George Faison

University of Southern Mississippi

Bell, Linda L. Jensen

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University of Southern Mississippi

Boshears, Onva
Cade, Robert Burr
Donohue, John R.
Vest, Jusanne M..

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LEGAL

Presented by Mr. Chuck Rubisoff
Special Assistant Attorney General

AGENDA ITEM #1 WAS PULLED. On motion by Dr. Magee, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and unanimously passed by those present, it was

RESOLVED, That upon review and recommendation of the Office of the Attorney General, the Board hereby approves **UNANIMOUS CONSENT** items #2 and #3 and Agenda Item #4. Agenda Items #5, #6, and #7 were approved on a separate motion by Mr. Ivey, seconded by Dr. Magee, and unanimously passed.

Jackson State University

- 1. Request to retain for a monthly fee of \$3,300, Attorney Janace Goree of Jordan, Daniels, and Goree, PLLC, to provide forty hours per month of legal service without additional fees. Service provided beyond the forty hours will be billed at an hourly rate of \$95 per sixty minutes. **(THIS ITEM WAS PULLED.)**

Mississippi Valley State University

- 2. (UC) Approved request to employ Mr. Lee Welch for \$200 an hour to provide legal services for an investigation by the NCAA.

University of Mississippi

- 3. (UC) Approved the request to employ Mr. James “Jim” Steele as outside counsel for lease negotiations with the City of Gulfport, Mississippi.

University of Mississippi Medical Center

- 4. Approved request to employ Mr. James “Jim” Steel for \$125 an hour to provide legal services as the defense counsel in the lawsuit styled *Teresa Graham Upshaw vs. UMMC, et al.* Also, approved request to employ Mr. Charles Johnson for \$175 an hour to provide legal services as counsel in matters of audit by Medicaid and Medicare.

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- 5. Approved payment of legal fees to outside counsel in relation to litigation and other matters, as follows:

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Lawrence Bernstein (Statement dated 9/6/99) from the funds of Mississippi University for Women. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the MUW radio station.)

TOTAL DUE\$478.10

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo McDavid PLLC (Statement dated 10/4/99) from the funds of The University of Mississippi. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the *Brewer* case.)

TOTAL DUE\$16,842.73

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Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Penny Jones Alexander (Statement dated 10/4/99) from the funds of The University of Southern Mississippi. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the Lake Forgetful Property matter.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$450.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins, Ludlam, Winter & Stennis (Statement dated 9/21/99) from the funds of Mississippi University for Women. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the FEMA matter.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$439.45

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Brunini, Grantham, Grower & Hewes (Statement dated 10/12/99) from the funds of The University of Mississippi Medical Center. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the *Gospodarski* action.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$1,683.20

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins & Eager (Statement dated 10/7/99) from the funds of the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the *Ayers* lawsuit.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$26,245.07

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Mayo McDavid PLLC (Statement dated 7/2/99) from the funds of The University of Mississippi. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the *Ahl* case.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$278.00

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Watkins & Eager (Statement dated 11/2/99) from the funds of the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the *Ayers* lawsuit.)

TOTAL DUE.....\$13,054.27

6. Approved payment of legal fees to outside counsel in relation to patent work for universities, as follows:

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Long, Aldridge & Norman (Statement dated 8/8/99) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement represents services and expenses in connection with the following patent application: "Bast Medium Biological Reactor Treatment System for Remediation and Odor Suppression of Organic Waste Streams.")

TOTAL DUE.....\$2,800.50

Payment of legal fees for professional services rendered by Long, Aldridge & Norman (Statement dated 10/27/99) from the funds of Mississippi State University. (This statement

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represents services and expenses in connection with the following patent application:
“Decorticating Method for Separating Bast from Core of Forage Chopped Kenaf or the
Like.”)

TOTAL DUE.....\$470.00

7. Approved, upon review and recommendation of the Office of the Attorney General, the
Litigation Report for November 1, 1999. The report is included in the bound *November 18,
1999 Board Working File*.

FINANCE/FINANCIAL AID/FOREIGN TRAVEL

Presented by Mr. Jim Rhodes
Assistant Commissioner of Finance and Administration

On motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Dr. Magee, and unanimously passed by those present, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves Agenda Items #1, #4, and #5 of the report on
Finance/Financial Aid/Foreign Travel. Agenda Items #2 and #3 were approved on a separate
motion by Mr. Ivey, seconded by Mr. Klumb, and unanimously passed.

Mississippi State University

1. Approved the sole bid and authorized purchase of one Model 102DL3 Intercity Tour Coach
in the amount of \$384,965 from Motor Coach Industries. Funds are available in the amount
of \$384,965 from the Athletic Department.

Mississippi Valley State University

2. Approved resolution authorizing the creation of a Community Development Corporation in
consultation with the Attorney General’s office. The establishment of the Corporation would
provide the means to assist communities to raise the economic, educational, and social levels
of residents in Mississippi with particular focus on the Delta area. The resolution is included
in the bound *November 18, 1999 Board Working File*.

University of Mississippi Medical Center

3. Approved request to create the University of Mississippi Medical Center Research and
Development Foundation.
4. Approved request to contract with Affiliated University Emergency Physicians (AUEP) to
provide emergency medical services at selected hospitals throughout the state. Funds are
available from client hospitals under contract to the University Hospitals and Clinics.

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5. Approved the following report on Foreign Travel:

Jackson State University

Fletcher, Bettye Ward
Ibitayo, Niyi
Moreland-Young, Curtina

Rio Grande, Puerto Rico
Cairo, Egypt
Cairo, Egypt

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Mississippi State University

Brown, Ronald A.	Kailua-Kona, Hawaii
Buddington, Karyl	Copenhagen, Denmark
Buddington, Randal K.	Copenhagen, Denmark
Carillo, Mario	Tegucigalpa, Honduras
Chupa, Anna	Milan, Italy
Coats, George Euel	Toronto, Canada
Coffey, Kenneth M.	Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
Culver, Virgil P.	Tegucigalpa, Honduras and surrounding areas
Estes, Yolanda	Nijmegen, Holland
Grimes, Paul	Munich, Germany
Brien, Henry W.	Toronto, Canada
Hutto, Ken C.	Toronto, Canada
Koger, Trey H.	Toronto, Canada
Mack, Taylor	Rio Patuca and Rio Coco, Honduras
Matta, Frank B.	Georgetown, Guyana
Nail, Jerry W.	Ponce, Puerto Rico
Nicholas, Darrel D.	Hilo, Hawaii
Obringer, Stephen J.	Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
Panuska, Bruce C.	San Salvador, Bahamas
Reece, Matthew A.	San Salvador, Bahamas
Reynolds, Daniel B.	Toronto, Canada
Roberson, Angela	Munich, Germany
Rogers, Kevin	Munich, Germany
Shaw, David R.	Toronto, Canada
Smith, Marshall Cade	Toronto, Canada
Snyder, Richard G.	Almeria, Spain
Taylor, James M.	Toronto, Canada
Taylor, Ronald D.	Tirana, Albania
Uzoigwe, Godfrey N.	Warsaw, Poland
Watson, Clarence E.	Ponce, Puerto Rico
Watson, Vance H.	Ponce, Puerto Rico
White, Bernard W.	Ponce, Puerto Rico
Zhang, Lingxiao	Ponce, Puerto Rico

Mississippi University for Women

McCallister, Richard	Havana, Cuba
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University of Mississippi

Arrington, Melvin	Havana, Cuba
Bobzin, Steve	Discovery Bay, Jamaica
Borne, Ronald F.	Warsaw, Poland
Burkepile, Deron	Discovery Bay, Jamaica
Cremaldi, Lucien	Geneva, Switzerland
Deweese, Herbert E.	Vienna, Austria; Budapest, Hungary; and Prague, Czech Republic
Gochfeld, Deborah	Discovery Bay, Jamaica and Hawaii
Group of Twenty Students	London, England
Hamann, Mark	Discovery Bay, Jamaica
Howie, Donald R.	Paris, France
Kajfez, Darko	Malaga, Spain
Kishk, Ahmed A.	Malaga, Spain
Landry, Pierre F.	Hong Kong, China
Metcalf, Michael F.	Edinburgh, Scotland
Moen, Jon R.	Amsterdam, The Netherlands

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Reeves, Jim	Warsaw, Poland
Rose, Gregory	Cancun, Mexico
Ross, Samir A.	Guyuan Prefecture, Ningxia 756000 Republic of China
Shaw, Jean M.	Bangkok, Thailand
Slattery, Marc	Taiwan
Tidwell, Diane K.	St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands
Vazhkudai, Sudharshan	Melbourne, Australia
Wachter, Kathy	St. Thomas, United States Virgin Islands
Zjawiony, Jordan	Manila, Philippines

University of Mississippi Medical Center

Dwyer, Terry	Toronto, Ontario, Canada
Ho, I. K.	Taipei, Taiwan
Jones, Roger Starner, Jr.	Shanghai, China
Klimek, Violetta	Acapulco, Mexico
McGuire, Robert A., Jr.	Whistler, British Columbia, Canada
Serio, Francis G.	Port-Au-Prince, Haiti

University of Southern Mississippi

Fraschillo, Thomas	Italy
Grimes, Darrell Jay	France
Kuczaj, Stan	Hawaii
Lochhead, Robert	Scotland
Overstreet, Robin	Bangkok, Thailand, Indonesia
Sanchez, Rafael	Argentina, Bolivia, Peru

FACILITIES

Presented by Mr. John Bowman, Assistant Commissioner
of Construction and Physical Affairs

On motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and unanimously passed by those present, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board hereby approves the report on Facilities.

Alcorn State University

1. Approved bids and award of contract to the low bidder, Wofford Nursery & Landscaping, in the amount of \$17,158.76 for **IHL #201-122, Part “B”, President’s Home Landscaping/Irrigation**. Funds are available in the project budget from the university’s fund balance.
2. Approved bids and award of contract to the low bidder, Wofford Nursery & Landscaping, in the amount of \$26,525.51 (base bid plus alternate #1) for **IHL #201-122, Part “B”, President’s Home Landscaping/Planting/Lighting**. Funds are available in the project budget from the university’s fund balance.
3. Approved payment application #11 for **IHL #201-122 B, President’s Residence Landscaping**, in the amount of \$25,181.65 to R. A. Edgin Construction Company for work completed.
4. Approved payment of \$23,647.24 to Hartley P. Fairchild and Associates for professional services rendered on **IHL #201-128, Campus Lakes Project**. Funds are available in the

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amount of \$187,000 from a federal grant and in the amount of \$187,833 from university funds.

5. Approved payment of fees in the amount of \$46,751.25 to Brumfield, Hopton & Brumfield, Ltd., for professional services rendered on **IHL #201-125, Extension Demonstration Building**. Funds are available through a grant from the United States Department of Agriculture and state appropriations.
6. Approved application for payment #4 in the amount of \$27,646.25 to J. H. Parker Construction Company, Inc., for **IHL #201-128, Campus Lakes Project**. Funds are available in the amount of \$187,000 from the National Conservation Resource Services (federal grant) and in the amount of \$187,833 from university funds.
7. Approved payment #2 in the amount of \$875.71 to Brumfield, Hopton & Brumfield, Ltd., for professional services related to **IHL #201-125, Extension Demonstration Building**. Funds are available in the amount of \$450,000 through a grant from the United State Department of Agriculture and state appropriations for agricultural programs.
8. Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$641,973 (base bid and five deductive alternates) to the low bidder, Owen Holland and Sons for **GS #101-191B, 1998 Residence Hall Repairs**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available from S.B. 3254, Laws of 1998. Bids were as follows:
- | Contractor | Base Bid | Alternates |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|--|
| 1. Barnard & Sons Construction, LLC | \$816,000 | 1. (\$ 15,000)
2. (\$ 55,000)
3. (\$ 64,000)
4. (\$ 39,000)
5. (\$ 46,000) |
| 2. Sullivan Enterprises, Inc. | \$859,000 | 1. (\$ 30,000)
2. (\$ 35,000)
3. (\$ 69,000)
4. (\$ 41,000)
5. (\$ 66,000) |
| 3. Owen Holland and Sons | \$887,000 | 1. (\$ 33,684)
2. (\$142,389)
3. (\$ 93,455)
4. (\$ 65,888)
5. (\$ 52,000) |
| 4. Jay-Van Company | \$959,000 | 1. (\$ 17,000)
2. (\$112,000)
3. (\$102,000)
4. (\$ 47,000)
5. (\$ 69,000) |
| 5. Tommy E. Warren | \$1,500,000 | 1. (\$ 12,000)
2. (\$120,000)
3. (\$ 30,000)
4. (\$ 50,000)
5. (\$ 25,000) |
9. Approved the initiation of **IHL #201-129, Metal Building Construction**, and award of contract to the low bidder R. A. Edgin Construction Company in the amount of \$186,200. Funds are available from funds appropriated by the Legislature for agricultural programs.
10. Approved pay estimate #1 in the amount of \$51,080.40 for **IHL #201-125, Extension Demonstration Building**. Funds are available in the amount of \$450,000 through a grant from the United State Department of Agriculture and state appropriations for agricultural programs.

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11. Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$96,366 (includes both add alternates) to the low bidder, Thompson Tree & Spraying Service, Inc., for **GS #102-167, Roberts Library Landscaping**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$75,000 from the project budget and in the amount of \$30,000 from the University plant fund.

Jackson State University

12. (UC) Approved initiation of **GS #103-179, School of Engineering**, appointment of Cooke, Douglass, Farr, Lemons, Ltd., as architects and engineers, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$100,000 from H.B. 1675, Laws of 1999.
13. (UC) Approved initiation of **GS #103-178, School of Business**, appointment of Eley and Associates and Billies/Manning Architects, as project professionals, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$7,000,000 from H.B. 1675, Laws of 1999.
14. (UC) Approved initiation of **GS #103-180, Conference Center**, appointment of Dale and Associates Architects, P.A., as project professional, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$100,000 from H.B. 1675, Laws of 1999.
15. Approved contract documents and authorized the advertisement for the receipt of bids for **IHL #203-123, New Laundry Facilities**. Funds are available in the amount of \$200,000 from university capital improvement funds.
16. Approved design development documents for the renovation of the old Industrial Arts Building to house the High Performance Visualization Center. Funds are available from a grant from the Department of Defense Command Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command and indirect cost recovery, in the amount of \$300,000.
17. Approved contract documents, authorized advertisement for the receipt of bids for **GS #103-174, Campus Mechanical Expansion**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$1,500,000 from H.B. 1666, Laws of 1996.
18. Approved initiation of **GS #103-186, Liberal Arts Computer Equipment**, for audio/visual equipment in the Liberal Arts Building, appointment of Integrated Computer Services as project professional, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$795,361 from S.B. 3254, Laws of 1998.
19. Approved request to enter into a lease agreement with East Shotville, L.P., for space at 850 East River Place. The lease agreement will provide renovation and rental space to house research activities funded by grants generated through the Mississippi Urban Research Center. Grant funds are available and budgeted for this lease agreement.

Mississippi State University

20. Approved Change Order #4 and #5 for **GS #105-239, Hand Chemical Laboratory Renovations**, for a total amount of \$25,792.20, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. The changes will provide for installation of new telephone and data outlets and re-route steam and condensate piping. Funds are available in the project budget.
21. Approved request to execute four Quitclaim Deed to the Mississippi Department of Transportation as follows:

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Parcel No.	Price	Acres
Parcel No. 001-0-00-Q	\$10,780	6.03
Parcel No. 021-0-00-Q	\$9,757	3.591
Parcel No. 042-1-00-Q	\$83,215	23.50
Parcel No. 045-1-00-Q	\$10,422	3.99

22. Approved dedication and conveyance to South Central Water Association, Inc., a permanent easement for the purpose of constructing and maintaining water lines.
23. Approved construction documents for **GS #105-268, Central Cooling Plant Renovation**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$3,000,000, from H.B. 1843, Laws of 1997, and in the amount of \$150,000 from S.B. 3254, Laws of 1998, for a total project budget of \$3,150,000.
24. Approved initiation of a project to design and construct a **Center for University Advancement, IHL #205-185**. Funds are available in the amount of \$3,750,000 from private donations.
25. Approved the removal from inventory of six buildings located at the Animal Research Center, South Farm. The buildings, which have deteriorated and are beyond economical renovation, will be dismantled and any usable material will be salvaged.
26. Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$459,418 to the low bidder, Mid-South X-Ray Company, Inc., for **IHL #213-127, Radiology Suite Renovation**. Funds are available in the amount of \$150,000 from MSU EBC bonds, in the amount of \$290,000 from MSU Educational Enhancement Reserve Funds, and in the amount of \$25,000 from the College of Veterinary Medicine Clinical Revenues for a total of \$465,000. Bids were as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid
1. Mid-South X-Ray Company, Inc.	\$459,418
2. Siemens Medical Systems	\$473,291
3. Picker International, Inc.	\$529,287
4. GE Medical Systems	NO BID

Mississippi University for Women

27. Approved initiation of **IHL #204-113, Elevator Replacement, Kincannon Hall**, and appointment of Pryor and Morrow Architects as project professionals. Funds are available in the amount of \$200,000 from the University's plant fund.
28. Approved appointment of Johnson Bailey Henderson McNeel Architects as project professional for **GS #104-130, Martin Hall Renovation**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available in the amount of \$4,900,000.
29. Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$226,537 to the low bidder, J & J General Contractors, Inc., for **IHL #204-112A, Hooper Science Auditorium Renovation**. Funds are available in an Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science line item in the University's plant fund. Bids were as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternates
1. Burks-Mordecal Builders, Inc.	\$235,700	1. \$20,700 2. \$ 3,617
2. Century Construction	\$297,680	1. \$24,107 2. \$ 2,930
3. Cherokee Construction Company	\$229,800	1. \$21,212 2. \$ 2,257

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4. Conn Construction Company, Inc.	\$241,000	1. \$19,900 2. \$ 2,120
5. Gillis Construction, LLC	\$250,000	1. \$24,400 2. \$ 3,150
6. J & J General Contractors, Inc.	\$205,000	1. \$21,537 2. \$ 2,650
7. Seiler Building Corporation	\$337,770	1. \$22,000 2. \$ 9,700
8. Sneed Construction	NO BID	NO BID
9. Rick Williams Construction Company, Inc.	\$216,447	1. \$22,291 2. \$ 1,691

University of Mississippi

30. Approved purchase of Zeta Tau Alpha House and its contents, including furnishings and kitchen equipment, from the Zeta Tau Alpha Fraternity Housing Corporation for the total sum of \$600,000. Independent appraisals of the property have been made by Brian Pray Realty and Bill King and Associates in the total amounts of \$846,800 and \$932,000, respectively. Funds are available from university funds.
31. Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$212,500 to the low bidder, Oxford Sand Company, for **GS #107-241, Storm Sewer Improvements**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available from the Bureau of Building 1998 bond issue. Bids were as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternates
1. Oxford Sand Company	\$212,500	1. (\$ 9,850) 2. (\$20,250)
2. Eubank Construction Company	\$234,900	1. (\$10,000) 2. (\$10,000)
3. Hill Brothers Construction Company, Inc.	\$242,522	1. (\$15,675) 2. (\$19,966)
4. Camco Construction Company, Inc.	\$269,000	1. (\$20,125) 2. (\$30,200)
5. Prairie Construction	\$272,450	1. (\$14,000) 2. (\$18,000)
6. EnDevCo, Inc.	\$287,900	1. (\$15,000) 2. (\$20,000)

32. Approved bids and award of contract in the amount of \$107,922 to the low bidder, Layne Christensen Company, for **GS #107-239, Water System Improvements**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings. Funds are available from the Bureau of Building 1998 bond issue. Bids were as follows:

Contractor	Base Bid
1. Layne Christensen	\$107,922
2. Lipe Well & Supply Company	\$138,650

33. Approved request to execute a lease to Camco Construction Company, Inc., for a 50' X 60' hangar on Lot 14 at the University-Oxford Airport. The lease is included in the *November 18, 1999 Board Working File*.

University of Mississippi Medical Center

34. Approved the contract documents and authorized the advertisement for the receipt of bids for **IHL #209-411, Perimeter Fencing '99**. Funds are available in the amount of \$90,000 from interest income.
35. Approved Change Order #3 for **IHL #209-379, Durant Hospital Renovations**, in the amount of \$653 with no increase in contract time. The change will furnish labor and material

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to install exhaust ductwork in the computer area. Funds are available in the project budget from patient revenue.

36. Approved Change Order #2 for **IHL #209-402, Landscape Revisions**, in the amount of \$1,800 with no increase in contract time. Funds are available in the project budget from interest income.
37. Approved Change Order #7 for **Parking Garage “C”, IHL #209-261**, in the amount of \$97,767 with an increase in contract time of one hundred and five calendar days. The change will upgrade and complete the CCTV system. Funds are available in the project budget from inpatient hospital revenue.
38. Approved Change Order #4 for **IHL #209-379, Durant Hospital Renovations**, in the amount of \$62,539 with an increase in contract time of 185 calendar days. The change will provide all work related to removing the existing roof material and re-roofing and furnish labor and material to install thirty-one door sweeps at corridor doors and ten oversized door strikes at corridor doors. Funds are available in the project budget from patient revenue.
39. Approved contract documents to renovate R040 Cath Lab project, **IHL #209-410**, and authorized advertisement for the receipt of bids. Funds are available in the amount of \$250,000 from hospital patient revenue.
40. Approved initiation of **IHL #209-412, Pavilion Renovations**, and appointment of Simmons, Associates/A. I. A., as project professional. Funds are available in the amount of \$800,000 from patient revenue, the Medical Center EBC, pavilion rental income, and Medical Practice Plan overage income.
41. Approved initiation of **IHL #209-414, HRP Interior Renovations**, and appointment of Simmons Associates/A. I. A., as project professional. Funds are available in the amount of \$1,250,000 from interest income.
42. Approved design development documents for **IHL #209-407, Electrical Improvements ‘99**. Funds are available in the amount of \$860,000 from interest income.
43. Approved request to sell 1.332 acres of property situated along the east boundary of University Medical Center property to St. Dominic/Jackson Memorial Hospital. The sales price is the average of two independent appraisals on the property.

University of Southern Mississippi

44. Approved design development phase for **GS #108-166, Fairchild Complex**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings to proceed to the construction document phase. Funds are available in the amount of \$2,500,000 from H.B. 1666, Laws of 1996 and USM Foundation.
45. Approved design development phase for **GS #108-180, Motor Pool/Grounds Building**, and request approval by the Bureau of Buildings to proceed to the construction document phase. Funds are available in the amount of \$175,000 from S.B. 3254, Laws of 1998.

System Administration

46. Approved Change Order #3 for **GS #111-024, Chiller Replacement**, in the amount of \$69,506 with an increase of 202 calendar days to the contract time and request approval by

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the Bureau of Buildings. The change order includes work for additional mechanical and electrical work that is needed but was not included in the original contract. Funds are available in the project budget.

BOARD DINNER

Ms. Ricki R. Garrett thanked Dr. Robert Khayat, Chancellor of The University of Mississippi, and Dr. Wallace Conerly, Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs and Dean, School of Medicine, and their faculty and staff for hosting the November 18, 1999 Board dinner. Ms. Garrett further thanked Dr. Conerly for hosting the committee and Board meetings.

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PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL

Presented by Dr. Clinton Bristow, Jr., President

1. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Clinton Bristow, Jr. Dr. Bristow then recognized Dr. Ronald Mason, Jr., extending congratulations and best wishes from the members of the Presidents' Council.
2. Dr. Bettye Ward Fletcher, Interim President of Jackson State University, gave an update on the Mississippi Alliance for Minority Participation (MAMP) program. Dr. Malcolm Portera, President of Mississippi State University, proposed that the institutions' public affairs officers collaborate on a plan for publicizing the program. It was further suggested that the IHL system present a comprehensive proposal for funding the MAMP program as a separate IHL line item in the annual budget.
3. Commissioner Layzell requested that any comments or suggestions as to revision of bylaws and governing policies of the Board be submitted to him by December 15, 1999. He also solicited further suggestions of strategic topics that the Board should address in discussion.
4. Because of requests IHL staff members have received for assistance with financial aid issues and policies, Commissioner Layzell indicated that Ms. Peggy Sledge, Director, State Student Financial Aid, is available to visit the campuses and confer with financial aid staff.
5. Commissioner Layzell expects that we will have a recommendation in January 2000 for an increase in out-of-state tuition.
6. Commissioner Layzell shared a handout prepared by Rotary International in Mississippi for the Mississippi Helping Outstanding Pupils Educationally (MHOPE) program and a discussion ensued.
7. In response to concerns over mounting litigation, Dr. Robert Khayat, Chancellor of The University of Mississippi, has requested of the Board staff wording to clarify certain aspects of employment contracts which would expedite settlement of disputes through arbitration as an alternative to litigation. This wording will be shared with Council members when it is available.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Academic & Student Affairs Committee
Wednesday, November 17, 1999**

The Committee was brought to order by Ms. Baker, Chair. The following items were discussed:

1. **Master of Arts in Teaching at Mississippi University for Women**
On motion by Ms. Newton, seconded by Dr. Magee, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the intent to request a new Master of Arts in Teaching program at Mississippi University for Women.
2. **Core Curriculum at Mississippi University for Women**
The Committee received as an information item the new core curriculum which will be implemented in the Fall 2000.
3. **Renaming Departments within the College of Business Administration at The University of Southern Mississippi**
On motion by Dr. Magee, seconded by Ms. Newton, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the request to rename the departments within the College of Business Administration at USM.
4. **Enrollment Report**
The Committee reviewed and accepted the Enrollment Report.

No further action was taken.

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The following Committee members were present: Ms. Baker (Chair), Dr. Magee, and Ms. Newton. Mr. Nicholson and Dr. Pennington were absent. Other Board members attending were Ms. Garrett, Mr. Colbert, Mr. Homan, Mr. Ivey, Mr. Klumb, and Mr. Luvane.

***Ayers Implementation Committee*
Wednesday, November 17, 1999**

The Committee was brought to order by Mr. Luvane, Chair. The following items were discussed:

1. **Executive Session**

On motion by Ms. Baker, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Dr. Magee, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session**, for the reasons later reported by the Chair in Open Session and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of *Ayers* Litigation and Other Matters.

On motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Ms. Newton, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

The following report on the Executive Session was given by the Chair:

On motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Dr. Magee, **with Mr. Nicholson voting against the motion**, the Committee recommended that the Board adopt the proposed JSU/UM Interinstitutional Pharmacy Initiative as originally submitted.

No further action was taken.

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The following Committee members were present: Mr. Luvene (Chair), Ms. Baker, Dr. Magee, Ms. Newton, and Mr. Nicholson. Other Board members present were Ms. Garrett, Mr. Colbert, Mr. Homan, Mr. Ivey, and Mr. Klumb.

**Budget & Financial Affairs Committee
Wednesday, November 17, 1999**

The Committee was brought to order by Mr. Ivey, Chair. The following items were discussed:

1. **Banner Implementation at Alcorn State University**
The Committee received the report concerning the banner implementation at Alcorn State University.
2. **Creation of a Community Development Corporation at Mississippi Valley State University**
On motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Mr. Luvene, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the resolution authorizing the creation of a Community Development Corporation contingent upon the Attorney General's review and approval. The establishment of the Corporation will provide the means to assist communities to raise the economic, educational, and social levels of residents in Mississippi with particular focus on the Delta area.
3. **Creation of The University of Mississippi Medical Center Research and Development Center**
On motion Mr. Luvene, seconded by Ms. Baker, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the request to create The University of Mississippi Medical Center Research and Development Foundation.
4. **Quarterly Employment Reports**
On motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Mr. Klumb, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board accept the Quarterly Employment Reports.
5. **Financial and Actuarial Reports**
On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Mr. Klumb, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee reviewed and accepted the Financial and Actuarial Reports of the Workers' Compensation Plan, Tort Liability Plan, and Unemployment Trust Fund. The reports are included in the *November 18, 1999 Board Working File*.

No further action was taken.

The following Committee members were present: Mr. Ivey (Chair), Ms. Baker, Mr. Klumb, and Mr. Luvene. Mr. Nicholson was absent. Other Board members attending the meeting were Ms. Garrett, Mr. Homan, Dr. Magee, and Ms. Newton.

**Building/Facilities Committee
Wednesday, November 17, 1999**

The Committee was brought to order by Mr. Klumb, Chair. The following items were discussed:

1. **University Facilities' Requests**
On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Mr. Ivey, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the university facilities' requests.

No further action was taken.

The following Committee members were present: Mr. Klumb (Chair), Mr. Homan, Mr. Ivey, and Mr. Luvene. Mr. Crawford was absent. Other Board members attending the meeting were Ms. Garrett,

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Ms. Baker, and Dr. Magee.

Jackson State Presidential Search Committee

Dr. Pennington welcomed Dr. Ronald Mason, Jr., President-Elect of Jackson State University, to his first official Board meeting. Dr. Pennington also thanked everyone for their cooperation with the search.

**Legal Committee
Wednesday, November 17, 1999**

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Magee, Chair. The following items were discussed:

5. **Requests for Legal Counsel at Jackson State University and University of Mississippi Medical Center**

The request by Jackson State University for outside counsel was pulled from the agenda.

On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Ms. Garrett, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the request to employ Mr. Charles Johnson for \$175 an hour to provide legal services as counsel in matters of audit by Medicaid and Medicare.

On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Ms. Garrett, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the request to employ Mr. James “Jim” Steele for \$125 an hour to provide legal services as the defense counsel in the lawsuit styled *Teresa Graham Upshaw vs. UMMC, et al.*

2. **Request for Legal Counsel at Mississippi Valley State University**

On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Ms. Garrett, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the request to employ Mr. Lee Welch for \$200 an hour to provide legal services for an investigation by the NCAA.

3. **Request for Legal Counsel at The University of Mississippi**

On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Ms. Garrett, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee recommended that the Board approve the request to employ Mr. James “Jim” Steele as outside counsel for lease negotiations with the City of Gulfport, Mississippi.

4. **Annual Litigation Report**

The Committee accepted the Annual Litigation Report.

5. **Executive Session**

On motion by Mr. Luvene, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Ms. Garrett, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session**, for the reasons later reported by the Chair in Open Session and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of a Personnel Matter with Possible Litigation at Mississippi Valley State University.

On motion by Mr. Luvene, seconded by Ms. Garrett, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

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The following report on the Executive Session was given by the Chair:

On motion by Dr. Magee, seconded by Mr. Luvene, the Committee recommended that Dr. Thomas Layzell, Commissioner of Higher Education, send a letter to Ms. Rosetta Harris denying the request to appeal her termination of employment from Mississippi Valley State University.

No further action was taken.

The following Committee members were present: Dr. Magee (Chair), Ms. Garrett (Ex-Officio), and Mr. Luvene. Mr. Crawford, Mr. Ivey, and Mr. Nicholson were absent. Other Board members attending were Ms. Baker, Mr. Homan, and Mr. Klumb.

**Point Cadet Review Committee
Wednesday, November 17, 1999**

The Committee was brought to order by Ms. Newton, Chair. The following was discussed:

1. **Executive Session**

On motion by Mr. Klumb, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session. On motion by Mr. Homan, seconded by Mr. Ivey, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee **voted to go into Executive Session**, for the reasons later reported by the Chair in Open Session and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Discussion of Presentation from the Point Cadet Consultant and
Discussion of Prospective Litigation in Relation to Point Cadet.

On motion by Mr. Colbert, seconded by Mr. Ivey, and unanimously passed by those present, the Committee voted to return to Open Session.

The following report on the Executive Session was given by the Chair:

The Committee received a presentation from the Economic Research and Management consultant concerning the study commissioned by the Board to assess options for future use of the IHL holdings on Point Cadet in Biloxi, Mississippi and the J. L. Scott Marine Education Center and Aquarium.

On motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Mr. Homan, with Mr. Colbert and Mr. Ivey abstaining, the Committee recommended to the Board, contingent upon the Attorney General's approval, the filing of an *amicus curia* brief in the matter of *Point Cadet 2000 vs. City of Biloxi, Mississippi* filed in the Circuit Court of Harrison County, Mississippi, Second Judicial District.

No further action was taken.

The following Committee members were present: Ms. Newton (Chair), Mr. Colbert, Mr. Homan, Mr. Ivey, and Mr. Klumb. Other Board members present were Ms. Garrett, Ms. Baker, Mr. Luvene, Dr. Magee, and Mr. Nicholson.

**Technology/Accessibility Committee
Wednesday, November 17, 1999**

The Committee was brought to order by Ms. Garrett, Chair. The following item was discussed:

1. **FY 2000 Compliance Report Summary**

The Committee received a Y2K Compliance Report Summary.

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No action was taken.

The following Committee members were present: Ms. Garrett (Ex-Officio Chair), Mr. Homan, and Mr. Klumb. Mr. Colbert, Mr. Crawford, and Dr. Pennington were absent. Other Board members attending were Ms. Baker, Mr. Ivey, Mr. Luvane, Dr. Magee, and Ms. Newton.

OTHER BUSINESS

Point Cadet Review Committee Report

On motion by Ms. Newton, seconded by Mr. Klumb, with Mr. Nicholson abstaining and **Mr. Colbert voting against the motion**, it was

RESOLVED, That the Board approves, contingent upon the Attorney General's approval, the filing of an *amicus curia* brief in the matter of *Point Cadet 2000 vs. City of Biloxi, Mississippi* filed in the Circuit Court of Harrison County, Mississippi, Second Judicial District.

ANNOUNCEMENTS/RECOGNITIONS

1. Ms. Garrett announced that the College Fair was a success. Ms. Garrett thanked Mr. Walter Becker, Chair of the Inter-Alumni Council, and the people from the Inter-Alumni Council that worked the entire day. Ms. Garrett further thanked Mrs. Pam Meyer Smith, Assistant Commissioner of Public Affairs & Development, and her staff, as well as, all of the Board staff and sponsors who made the College Fair possible.
2. Ms. Garrett commended Dr. Malcolm Portera, President of Mississippi State University, on the University's efforts in assisting Dr. R. D. Harris, the State-Appointed Conservator for the Okitebbeha County School District.
3. Ms. Garrett welcomed Mr. Greg Hinkebein who is the Executive Director of the Mississippi Enterprise for Technology, Inc. at the Stennis Space Center.
4. Ms. Garrett also welcomed Dr. Ronald Mason, Jr., President-Elect of Jackson State University.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion by Mr. Klumb, seconded by Mr. Crawford, and unanimously passed by those present, the Board voted to close the meeting to determine whether or not it should declare an Executive Session.

On motion by Ms. Baker, seconded by Mr. Luvane, and unanimously passed by those present, the Board **voted to go into Executive Session**, for the reason later reported by the President in Open Session and stated in these minutes, as follows:

Evaluation of Dr. Thomas Layzell, Commissioner of Higher Education.

On motion by Mr. Homan, seconded by Mr. Ivey, and unanimously passed by those present, the Board voted to return to Open Session.

The following report on the Executive Session was given by the President:

The Board conducted an evaluation of Dr. Thomas Layzell, Commissioner of Higher Education.

No action was taken.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Mr. Homan, seconded by Ms. Newton, the Board members voted unanimously to adjourn.

President, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning

Commissioner, Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning